Efficiency test for medical practitioners

*194. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI DATTA MEGHE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are planning to make renewal of Medical Practitioners (Doctors) mandatory after specific time intervels;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS): (a) to (c) The matter of re-registration of Medical Practitioners after a certain number of years is under consideration. Government is also considering linking renewal of registration of Medical Pratitioners with Continuing Medical Education (CME). Recently national consultations were held with representatives of various professional bodies regarding continuing medical education.

Increase in drug prices

†*195. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the selling price of medicines for consumers in the country has increased as a result of Government taxes, dividend of manufacturer and commission for distribution;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard; and

(c) the estimated difference between production cost of medicine and consumer selling price in the country on an average?

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